## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

STEVEN INGERSOLL, a Washington resident, LYNN BASTROM, a Washington resident, and on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

ROYAL & SUNALLIANCE USA, a foreign corporation,

Defendant.

Case No. CV05-1774L

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT

This matter comes before the Court on plaintiffs' "Motion To Amend Complaint" (Dkt. # 15). Plaintiffs request that the Court change the case caption to "Royal & SunAlliance USA, Inc." and add "Royal Indemnity Company" as co-defendant.

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a), leave to amend "shall be freely given when justice so requires." The Court follows a "strong policy in favor of allowing amendment, and considering four factors: bad faith, undue delay, prejudice to the opposing party, and the futility of amendment." Kaplan v. Rose, 49 F.3d 1363, 1370 (9th Cir. 1994). Having reviewed the record, the Court finds no evidence of bad faith, undue delay, prejudice, or futility.

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For all of the foregoing reasons, plaintiffs' "Motion To Amend Complaint" (Dkt. # 15) is GRANTED. DATED this 10th day of February, 2006. MMS Casnik United States District Judge ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT - 2